



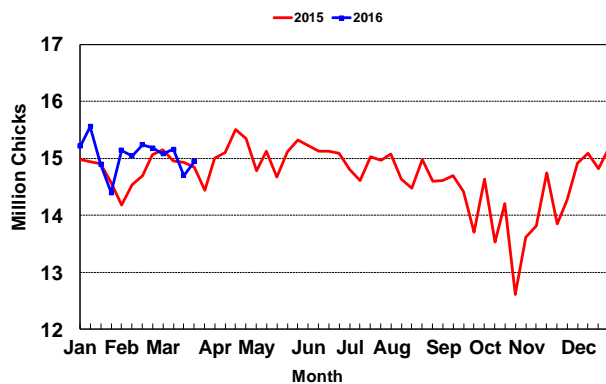
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Mississippi Chick Placements Up 1 percent from Last Year

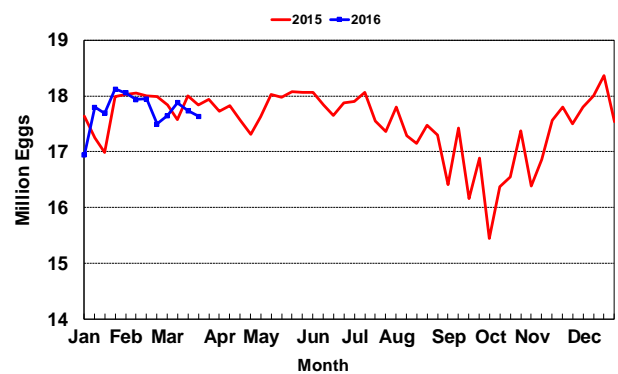
Broiler-type chicks placed for meat production in Mississippi were 14.9 million during the week ending March 19, 2016. Placements were up 1 percent from the comparable week in 2015 and up 2 percent from the previous week.

Mississippi hatcheries set 17.6 million broiler-type eggs during the week ending March 19, 2016, down 1 percent from the same period last year and down 1 percent from the previous week.

Chicks Placed In Mississippi, 2015-2016



Eggs Set In Mississippi, 2015-2016



Broiler Eggs Set and Chicks Placed in 19 Major States by Week, February 20, 2016 - March 19, 2016

State	Eggs Set					Chicks Placed				
	Week Ending					Week Ending				
	20-Feb	27-Feb	5-Mar	12-Mar	19-Mar	20-Feb	27-Feb	5-Mar	12-Mar	19-Mar
	1,000 eggs					1,000 chicks				
Alabama	29,021	29,094	28,684	29,167	28,963	21,292	21,314	21,527	21,731	21,356
Arkansas	22,156	21,975	21,883	22,151	21,782	20,051	19,647	19,126	20,995	21,160
Delaware	4,741	4,827	4,838	4,965	4,818	5,178	4,792	4,766	5,190	5,690
Florida	1,220	1,218	1,217	1,225	1,225	1,252	1,186	1,145	1,175	1,131
Georgia	34,789	35,045	34,632	34,950	34,590	27,719	28,417	28,000	27,474	27,867
Kentucky	8,052	8,017	7,816	7,633	7,456	5,985	6,329	6,557	6,089	6,081
Louisiana	3,712	3,697	3,651	3,605	3,422	3,182	3,271	3,271	3,044	3,183
Maryland	7,505	7,695	7,575	7,564	7,986	6,889	5,557	6,310	6,114	6,108
Mississippi	17,494	17,648	17,881	17,732	17,637	15,188	15,078	15,160	14,703	14,946
Missouri	7,913	8,010	7,984	7,992	7,962	5,887	5,034	6,629	5,673	6,072
N. Carolina	20,980	21,281	21,223	21,345	21,176	17,026	16,694	16,609	16,896	16,742
Oklahoma	6,872	6,659	6,712	6,638	6,876	4,675	5,259	4,372	3,363	3,279
Pennsylvania	4,645	4,651	4,628	4,706	4,754	3,628	3,842	3,791	3,772	3,537
S. Carolina	4,990	5,570	5,411	5,001	5,503	4,535	4,339	4,957	5,183	4,706
Texas	15,420	15,463	15,541	15,384	15,760	12,466	12,750	12,764	13,029	12,566
Virginia	6,383	6,408	6,745	6,510	6,378	4,301	5,943	5,628	5,428	5,196
CA,TN & WV	11,838	11,737	12,344	12,988	12,384	10,982	10,020	9,827	10,271	11,416
19 State Total	207,731	208,995	208,765	209,556	208,672	170,236	169,472	170,439	170,130	171,036
% of Prev. Year	100	101	101	102	102	101	100	100	100	101
Other States	8,095	8,130	8,425	8,309	8,689	6,654	6,771	6,566	6,685	6,534
U.S. Total	215,826	217,125	217,190	217,865	217,361	176,890	176,243	177,005	176,815	177,570

Revisions made to the previous four-week's data during the current week are published in this report.

Broiler-Type Eggs Set in the United States Up 2 Percent

Hatcheries in the United States weekly program set 217 million eggs in incubators during the week ending March 19, 2016, up 2 percent from a year ago. Hatcheries in the 19 State weekly program set 209 million eggs in incubators during the week ending March 19, 2016, up 2 percent from the year earlier. Average hatchability for chicks hatched during the week in the United States was 84 percent. Average hatchability is calculated by dividing chicks hatched during the week by eggs set three weeks earlier.

Broiler-Type Chicks Placed in the United States Up 1 Percent

Broiler growers in the United States weekly program placed 178 million chicks for meat production during the week ending March 19, 2016, up 1 percent from a year ago. Broiler growers in the 19 State weekly program placed 171 million chicks for meat production during the week ending March 19, 2016, up 1 percent from the year earlier. Cumulative placements from the week ending January 9, 2016 through March 19, 2016 for the United States were 1.94 billion. Cumulative placements were up 1 percent from the same period a year earlier.